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SAN JOSE FOR ROBERT ANDREW

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SUBJECT: BLUE LANTERN LEVEL 3: PRE-LICENSE END-USE CHECK
ON LICENSE 050107493

REF: 07 SAN JOSE 281

[1](#)1. This is an Action Request. See paragraphs 2 - 4.

[1](#)2. The Department's Office of Defense Trade Controls Compliance (PM/DTCC) requests Post's assistance in conducting a pre-license check on license 050107493 for the export of firearms to Costa Rica. Post is requested to complete this Blue Lantern check within 30 days. Lack of response to a Blue Lantern check will affect pending and future licenses involving parties to this license.

[1](#)3. Reason for Request: End-user, Armeria J.R. Andre, was subject to an unfavorable EXTRANCHECK (reftel) in 2007. This end-use monitoring check is to verify the bona fides of the end-user.

[1](#)4. Action Request: End-user, Armeria J.R. Andre, was previously subject to an unfavorable EXTRANCHECK (reftel) and was found to be an unreliable recipient of dual-use items controlled by the US Department of Commerce. Post is requested to establish the bona fides of the end-user by making appropriate inquiries to representatives of the company.

In its reply, Post may also comment on any other information pertinent to these transactions such as security of facilities, end-use, and concerns about the entities involved.

[1](#)5. Details of license applications:

DTC Case: 050107493

QUANTITY/COMMODITY:

9 Model 22 Pistols, .22 Caliber
3 Model 638 Revolvers, .38 Caliber
3 Model 642 Revolvers, .38 Caliber
3 Model 442 Revolvers, .38 Caliber
3 Model 64 Revolvers, .38 Caliber
5 Model 410 Pistols, .40 Caliber
30 Model SW9 Pistols, 9mm
15 Model 910 Pistols, 9mm
2 model 908 Pistols, 9mm
12 Model M&P9 Pistols, 9mm

12 Model M&P40, .40 Caliber

2 Model 10 Revolvers, .38 Caliber

License Value: USD \$31,865

SELLER:

Smith and Wesson Holding Corporation
2100 Roosevelt Avenue
Springfield, MA 01104

FOREIGN CONSIGNEE:

Same as End-User

FOREIGN END-USER:

Armeria JR Andre, SA
Avenida 2DA. Calle 2
San Jose, Costa Rica
Tel: 222-47 07

PURPOSE:

For commercial resale in Costa Rica only

¶6. Submitted in support of the license application were the following documents (PM/DTCC will fax documentation to Posts upon request):

5 DSP-83 signed by Peter Andre G (Armeria J.R. Andre) dated 05/15/2008 and Helene Piquette (Smith & Wesson) dated 06/02/2008

9 Purchase Orders from Armeria J.R. Andre signed by Peter Andre G. dated 05/15/2008.

Letter from Direccion General de Armamento (oficio 976-2008-DGA-OT) acting as an import permit signed by William Hidalgo Echavarria dated 04/08/2008

¶7. Please slug reply for PM/DTCC - BLUE LANTERN COORDINATOR and include the words "Blue Lantern" and the case number in the subject line. POC is Kyle M. Ballard, Phone: 202-663-1929; Email: BallardKM@state.gov; SIPRNET: BallardKM@state.sgov.gov. The Blue Lantern Guidebook (ref) is available as a PDF file in the Bunche Library's E-Book Collection on the DOS Intranet:
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¶8. Department is grateful for Post's assistance in this matter.
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